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Land Grant Application- Merrow, William (Standish)

William Merrow

Margaret Merrow

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Margaret Merrow
 Standish
 widow of Wm Merrow
 application for licence
 Res. Mar 17.
 1835

Received Mar 29, 1837

Rejected -
 No enlistment for
 3 years
 Margaret Merrow

Saml Staples Jr

and seal this
 Henry Kinsley and continuing whatever my said Attorney shall do by virtue hereof, Witness my
 such receipt or acknowledgment thereof, as I might, were I personally present.
 for the purposes and in the manner herein provided for, and in my name to execute
 deceased Officers and Soldiers, to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is
 Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the
 as he may stand to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a
 Attorney for me and in my name to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate
 constitute and appoint
 and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing declaration was made, do hereby
 of
 in the County of
 the State of Maine, this 17th day of March, 1835.

I *Margaret Merrow* of *Standish* in the County of *Cumberland* and State of Maine, aged *eighty two* years, do, upon oath, declare, in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," that I am the widow of *William Merrow* late of *Standish* in the County of *Cumberland* and State of Maine, who died at *said Standish* on the *twelfth* day of *March* A. D. 1836. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband, *William Merrow* did enlist in the Revolutionary War near the commencement of said war in the Regiment of Colonel Tupper for one year, and afterwards he enlisted for three years or during the war, and served for more than three years, and was honorably discharged, and was a pensioner from April 13th 1818. until his decease, as above stated.

I do further on oath declare that I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband, *William Merrow* was at the time of his said enlistment, an inhabitant of *Biddeford* in the County of *York* in said State of Maine and that I do know that he was at the time of his decease as aforesaid, an inhabitant of the said State of Maine, residing in *Standish*, aforesaid, where he had resided for *thirty five* years before his decease. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that neither my said late husband, nor any one claiming under him did receive, (nor have I received since his decease,) a grant of Land, or money in lieu thereof, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for his said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am therefore justly entitled to the full benefit of said Resolve.

Witness *James F. Proctor* *Margaret Merrow* her mark

STATE OF MAINE.

Cumberland, ss.....Subscribed and sworn to this *Eighteenth* day of *March* 1837
BEFORE ME,

Joseph W. Perine

Justice of the Peace.

I Samuel F. Bolton of Standish in the county of Cumberland
and State of Maine, ^{aged sixty two years} do testify and say, that I am well acquainted
with the within named Margaret Merrow widow of William
Merrow late of said Standish deceased a Revolutionary Soldier, and
for a number of years past a pensioner; that I have known
the said Margaret Merrow as the wife of the said William
Merrow during his life, and as his widow since his decease,
for more than thirty eight years past, and that she still
remains his widow, and is accordingly justly entitled to the
benefit of the act for which she has made application; and
I have never heard it doubted, or questioned but that she was the
lawful and faithful wife, and is now the widow of said William Merrow.
deceased

Samuel F. Bolton

State of Maine, Cumberland Co. March 18 1837

Then the above named Samuel F. Bolton, a man of a good
character for truth and veracity, appeared, and was duly sworn
to the foregoing deposition.

Before me Joseph W. Carine, Justice
of the Peace

State of Maine,
Cumberland, ss. I certify that satisfactory evidence has
been adduced ^{in addition to the above} that the within named Margaret Merrow was
the lawful wife, and is the widow of the within named
William Merrow.

Barth Potter Judge

Know all Men by these Presents, That I

Margaret Morrow of *Stanhish* in the County of *Cumberland* and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing declaration was made, do hereby constitute and appoint *Samuel Staples* of *Portland* my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me and in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were I personally present.

HEREBY ratifying and confirming whatever my said Attorney shall do by virtue hereof, Witness my hand and seal this *Eighteenth* day of *March* A. D. 1837

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
IN PRESENCE OF

Margaret Morrow
Witness *Samuel F. Brewster* Mark

STATE OF MAINE.

Cumberland ss.

Be it Known, that on this *Eighteenth* day of *March* 1837, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Margaret Morrow* above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by her signed, to be her free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name the day and year last above mentioned.

Joseph W. Parine

Justice of the Peace.

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William Morrow,

Filed March 3^d 1835,

Does not allege a true
your enlistment,
Rejected

William Morrow,
Declaration

Saml Burbank
H. Martineau

I William Morrow of Newfield in the county of York and state of Maine, aged eighty ^{years} ~~ten~~, the 6th day of January last past, do, upon oath, declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers", that I enlisted ~~at~~ June 1, 1775, in the service of the United States in the company commanded by Capt. Theodore Polin, of Gabriel Patterson's Regiment, and served ~~thirty~~ ^{twenty two} months, the period of my first enlistment, and was discharged at ~~that~~ ^{the} place mentioned — I enlisted immediately a second time, in a company commanded by Capt. Jabez Lane of Col. Nicholson's Regiment and served eighteen months, the period of my second enlistment, when I was discharged at the "White Plains" — I also enlisted a third time, immediately after my second discharge, in a company commanded by Capt. Danforth, of Col. Cullum's Regiment, and served ~~twelve~~ ^{twelve} months, the period of my third enlistment and was discharged ^{at Philadelphia} — A month or two after my third discharge, I enlisted a fourth time, (but not in the "Continental" service) in the "Militia" for nine months, under in Capt. Pike's company of Col. Frost's Regiment, at the expiration of which time I was discharged, and came home — I was again out during a period of six months, as one of the "Indian Spies", then so called, for the purpose of guarding the shores.

I do further declare that at the time of my first service enlistment, I was an inhabitant of Biddeford, in the county of Saco and state of Maine, and was on the 17th day of March, 1835, have been ever since, and am now an inhabitant of the State of Maine, residing in Newfield, in said county of York, where I have resided for about five months past. March 17, 1835, I resided in Hallowell in the county of Cumberland, and state of Maine aforesaid, that neither I nor any one claiming under me, has ever received a grant of land, or money in lieu thereof.

from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for
my said service, or any other service during the Rev-
olutionary War, and that I am justly entitled to
the Benefit of said Resolve.

Witness the signature of
William Morris

Samuel Barber

State of Maine
York ss. Subscribed and sworn to this nineteenth
day of February, 1818.

Before me
Samuel Barber } Just Peace

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War Department

Revolutionary Claims.

I certify, that in conformity to the Law of the United
States, of the 13th March, 1818, William Morris, late
a Private in the Army of the Revolution, is inscribed
on the Pension List, Roll of the District of Maine
Agency, at the rate of Eight Dollars per month, to com-
mence on the thirteenth day of April one thou-
sand eight hundred and eighteen.

Given at the War Office of the United States, this four-
teenth day of September, one thousand eight hun-
dred and nineteen

(Seal)

J. C. Calhoun

Secretary of War

The above is a true copy of Mr
Morris's Certificate

attest Samuel Barber

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I William Merrow of Standish in the County of Cumberland & Commonwealth of Massachusetts aged sixty eight years, do declare, that I enlisted as a private Soldier in the American Army on the Continental Establishment about the 13th day of May A.D. 1775 at Saco under Lieut Cam-ston in Capt Bliss Company & Colonel Pattersons Regiment in the Massachusetts Line for eight months & was stationed at Cambridge & on the first of January A.D. 1776 in the same Company and Regiment for one year in June of the same year I marched for Tycontaroga & was in the engagement at that place with the Indians & was discharged at half moon some time in February A.D. 1777 - I was discharged regularly my discharge I have since lost, I have no pension & from my reduced circumstances in life, I stand in need of assistance from my Country for support - I am a Citizen of the United States - William Merrow

April 13th 1818.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts ss.

Be it Known, that on the 13th day of April A.D. 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts personally appeared the above named William Merrow & being duly sworn, made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration by him in my presence subscribed in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the late Act of Congress, entitled an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in

revolutionary war, which declaration being signed and sworn to as aforesaid, I George Thatcher one of the Justices &c do certify, that it appears to my satisfaction that the said William Merrow did serve in the Revolutionary war on the Continental establishment against the common enemy as stated in his declaration, & that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of assistance of his country for support. And I now transmit the proceedings and testimony had before me to the Secretary of the Department of war pursuant to the direction in the Act of Congress aforesaid.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the seal of said Court to be hereunto affixed this day of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen

I Nicholas Davis of Hollis in said County & Commonwealth do testify and declare that I served in the American Army from the first of May A.D. 1775 till January A.D. 1777 in Col^l Frammours & Col Phinneys Regiments, I was well acquainted with William Merrow who signed the declaration on the first page of this paper from July 1775 till the last of February 1776. he was in Capt Bliss Company & Col Pattersons Regiment during the period I have mentioned to my knowledge - after that time the Regiment I was in marched to Boston

& Pattersons to Tyconderoga

Nicholas Davis

York for June 30th 1818. Then personally appeared the above named Nicholas Davis, & being a disinterested and credible witness was duly sworn and made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration by him subscribed before me

Sam^l B Thatcher Jus Peace

I Daniel Horn of Exeter in the County of Shafford and State of New Hampshire Testify and say that I knew William Merrow, from a Boy long before the American Revolution commenced I found him on duty as a soldier at Cambridge in the year 1775 and he remained there about seven months a fellow soldier with me after that we both enlisted for a year not however in the same company he was in Capt Theodore Bliss Company & we were both in Col Pattersons Regiment and I knew him to remain a full year after the enlistment and was honorably discharged in the last of January in 1777.

Signed Daniel Horne

State of New Hampshire Him personally appeared Daniel Horn made oath to the truth of the above Statement by him signed and I certify that Horne is a man of truth & of good standing

June 17th 1819.

Levi Jones
Justice of Peace

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I Joshua Merrow of Millton in the County of
Stafford & State of New Hampshire of sixty eight years
of age testify & say that I have known William
Merrow now of Standish in the County of Cum-
berland & Commonwealth of Massachusetts from
a child & found him at Cambridge February in
1776 a soldier in Col Patisons Regiment from
thence we marched to Ticonderogus in March I was
in company with him a fellow Soldier one full
year year he left in February 1777 at Morris Town
and went with Capt Bliss to Bostown & was dis-
charged honorably

signed Joshua Merrow

State of New Hampshire Strafford June the 17
1819. personally appeared Joshua Merrow sol-
emnly swore to the above statements who is a
Man of truth & vivacity & respectable standing
in society & made solemn oath to the truth of
the same Before me Levi Jones

Justice of the Peace
in said County.

State of New Hampshire

Strafford ss. I Andrew Pierce, Clerk of the Court
of Common Pleas for the County of Strafford

Certify

That Levi Jones, Esquire is a Justice of the
Peace within & for the County of Strafford acting
under the Authority of the State of New Hampshire

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the Seal of
said Court this 12th day of July
Anno Domini 1819.

A Pierce Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing pages
numbered from one to four are truly copied
from the originals on file in the Pension
Office War Department.

Henry S. Addison

I certify that Henry S. Addison who is employ-
ed by the Land Agent of the State of Maine
under a Resolution of the Legislature of
that State passed on the 17th of March 1835 to
obtain from the Pension Office certain documents
& Records, has made as full an examination
in the Case of William Merrow as the Books
and Papers of said Office will afford accord-
ing to the best of my judgment and belief dated
at the Pension Office, War Department the 20th
day of May 1837.

J L Edwards
Commissioner of Pensions